

ATLANTIC COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL RESIDENTS AND PERSONS WITHIN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY AND TO ALL DEPARTMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC.

WHEREAS, THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HAS ISSUED A BLIZZARD WARNING FOR THE COASTAL AREAS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY PREDICTING HEAVY SNOW ACCUMULATIONS, HIGH WINDS, TIDAL AND COASTAL FLOODING, BLIZZARD CONDITIONS AND DANGEROUSLY COLD WEATHER BEGINNING ON JANUARY 4, 2018 AND CONTINUING; AND

WHEREAS, THIS SEVERE WINTER STORM IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE SEVERAL INCHES OF SNOW THROUGHOUT THE STATE, WITH FORCASTS OF SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER SNOWFALL ACCUMULATIONS IN SOME LOCALITIES, HIGH WINDS WITH GUSTS OF UP TO 50 MILES PER HOUR, TIDAL AND COASTAL FLOODING, BLIZZARD CONDITIONS AND SNOW DRIFTS THAT WILL IMPEDE SNOW PLOWING OPERATIONS, TRANSPORTATION AND THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY; AND

WHEREAS, PURSUANT TO THE POWERS VESTED BY (CHAPTER 251 OF THE LAWS OF 1942, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, BY N.J.S.A. APP. A:9-30 ET SEQ.; N.J.S.A. 40:48-1[6]; N.J.S.A. 2C:33-1 ET SEQ.; NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTIVE NO. 61; WHICHEVER LAW OR LAWS APPLY, A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY IS DECLARED TO EXIST WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC; AND

WHEREAS, THE AFORESAID LAWS AUTHORIZE THE PROMULGATION OF SUCH ORDERS, RULES AND REGULATIONS AS ARE NECESSARY TO MEET THE VARIOUS PROBLEMS WHICH HAVE OR MAY OCCUR DUE TO SUCH EMERGENCY; AND

WHEREAS, IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT THESE AREAS OF THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC SHOULD THEN BE DECLARED A DISASTER AND FURTHER THAT CERTAIN MEASURES MUST BE TAKEN IN ORDER TO INSURE THAT THE AUTHORITIES WILL BE UNHAMPERED IN THEIR EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN LAW AND ORDER AS WELL AS MAINTAINING AN ORDERLY FLOW OF TRAFFIC FOR THE PURPOSE OF SNOW REMOVAL OPERATIONS AND FURTHER IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE PERSONS AND PROPERTY OF THE RESIDENTS AFFECTED BY THE CONDITIONS; AND

WHEREAS, THE FOLLOWING AREAS ARE HEREBY DESIGNATED DISASTER AREAS:

ALL AREAS WITHIN ATLANTIC COUNTY

THEREFORE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AFORESAID LAWS, IT IS PROMULGATED AND DECLARED THAT THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO ALL OTHER LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC,

1. Travel will be restricted on all COUNTY and MUNICIPAL Roads to vehicles transporting essential personnel or providing essential public services.
2. Essential travel includes travel by police, fire, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and authorized emergency management personnel to perform assigned duties.
3. Other Essential Travel may include criteria as outlined in State of New Jersey, Division of State Police, Informational Bulletin 03-1, dated March 18, 2003, at the discretion of local Law Enforcement Jurisdictions.
4. Protective measures necessary in order to safeguard the public's safety, health, and welfare, and to coordinate the recovery efforts from this disaster.



VINCENT J. JONES III,
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

1/4/18
DATE

11:00 AM
TIME